Negotiations with Uttrakhand Agitationists

3658. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have invited the Uttarakhand agitationists in the recent past to the negotiating table to help the centre resolve the issue amicably;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what progress have been made in this regard, so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) to (c) Consultations with leaders of the Uttarakhand movement are being held at different levels in order to find an amicable solution acceptable to all parties. While consultations are continuing to take place, a definite time frame for such a sensitive issue does not seem possible.

Sri Lankan militants in Indian jails

3659. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) how many Sri Lankan militants are in jails and camps in India;

(b) how many Sri Lankan militants in India have committed suicide by swallowing cyanide tablets, as on the 31st December, 1994 in order to escape from arrest;

(c) whether Government are aware that crores of rupees were being spent by the Central and State Governments because of the activities of these militants; and

(d) if so, why Government do not take steps to send them back to their country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) As per information made available by concerned States, 45 Sri Lankan Tamil militants are in jails and 82 Sri Lankan Tamil Militants are in camps in India.

(b) 4 Sri Lankan Tamil militants committed suicide by swallowing cyanide.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Willing Sri Lankan refugees are being repatriated to Sri Lanka. In the last phase of repatriation, in February-March, 1995, more than 10,000 refugees were repatriated. This included about 400 inmates lodged in a Special Camp in Tamil Nadu.

Extension of time sought by the Jain Commisison

3660. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI. Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Jain Commission set up to enquire into the assassination of Shri Rajiv Gandhi, has asked for further extension of time; if so whether the same has been granted by Government;

(b) whether all the documents sought by the Commission have been submitted; if so, the details thereof; if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) by when all the documents would be submitted and by when the Commission is expected to submit its final report?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) The last extension of the Jain Commission for six months expires on 31st August, 1995. The Jain Commission of Inquiry had sought information from Central Government and its agencies on various matters such as threat

perception to Shri Rajiv Gandhi, linkage between LTTE & other extremist groups, activities of LTTE & its banning, circumstances leading to President's Rule in Tamil Nadu, deployment of IPKF etc. Various interrogateries based on published books, news papers/periodicals etc. were also asked for. The Central Government and its agencies have furnished the requisite information to the Commission.

Furnishing of documents to Jain Commission

3661. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the documents asked for by the Jain Commission enquiring into Rajiv Gandhi assassination case; and

(b) why Government was unable to provide all the records asked for by the Commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) The Jain Commission of Inquiry has sought information from Central Government and its agencies on various matters such as threat perception to Late Shri Rajiv Gandhi, linkage between LTTE & other extremist groups, activities of LTTE & banning of LTTE, circumstances leading to Presidential rule in Tamil Nadu, deployment of IPKF etc. Various interrogatories based on published books, newspapers/ magazines, articles have also been asked for.

The Central Government & its agencies have furnished the requisite information to Jain Commission of Inquiry from time to time. Privilege has been claimed in respect of certain documents containing information which was considered sensitive.

Democratisation of NDMC

3662. SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any steps to implement constitutional provisions for democratisation of NDMC; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) and (b) The New Delhi Municipal Council Act, 1994 (No. 44 of 1994) was enacted to implement the provisions of the Constitution (Seventy-fourth Amendment) Act, 1992. Under the New Delhi Municipal Council Act, 1994 the New Delhi Municipal Council has been broad-based to include three members of the Legislative Assembly of Delhi and two Members to be nominated from amongst lawyers, doctors, chartered accountants, engineers, business and financial consultants, intellectuals, traders, labourers, social workers including social scientists, artists, media persons, sports person, etc. The Member of Parliament representing the NDMC area is to be a special invitee.

The relevants provisions of law, i.e., section 4 of the NDMC Act, is enclosed as Statement.

Statement

Details regarding steps taken to implement constitutional provision for democratisation of NDMC

Section 4

(1) The Council shall consist of the following members namely:—

(a) a Chairperson, from amongst the officers, of the Central Government or the Government of or above